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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE VISIT TO BULGARIA BY SECRETARY OF COMMERCE

1. AT RECENT MEETING FOR EXECUTIVES OF KAISER CORPORATION, VICE MINISTER FOREIGN TRADE LUKANOV ASKED EMBOFF WHETHER WE HAD HEARD THAT SECRETARY OF COMMERCE DENT MIGHT VISIT BULGARIA THIS SPRING. ACCORDING TO LUKANOV, BULGARIAN CHARGE VELCHEV HAD BEEN TOLD BY DEPARTMENT THAT DENT VISIT WAS POSSIBILITY AND THAT IF BULGARS WISHED TO HAVE HIM COME TO BULGARIA THEY SHOULD ACT QUICKLY. LUKANOV TOLD EMBOFF THAT "UNOFFICIALLY" GOB WOULD WARMLY WELCOME SUCH A VISIT AND THAT HE HOPED "OFFICIAL INVITATION" WOULD BE EXTENDED SHORTLY.

2. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH EMBASSY HAS HEARD INFORMALLY THAT SUCH VISIT WAS POSSIBILITY IN 1974, WE ARE NOT AWARE WHERE PLANNING STANDS AT THIS STAGE. FOR OUR PART, WE STRONGLY SUPPORT TRIP BY SECRETARY IF POSSIBLE. RECENTLY CONCLUDED SALES CONTRACTS BY US FIRMS HAVE DEMONSTRATED THAT BULGARIA IS NOW AN ACTIVE MARKET FOR US BUSINESS. EXECUTIVES OF KAISER CORPORATION JANUARY 26 SIGNED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION WITH BULGARIA THAT HAS POTENTIAL OF 5 - 20 BILLION DOLLARS (SEPTTEL). SECRETARY'S VISIT WOULD BE IMPORTANT FACTOR IN MAINTAINING MOMENTUM OF IMPROVING RELATIONS AND WOULD BE CONCRETE DEMONSTRATION OUR INCREASING INTEREST IN BULGARIAN MARKET.

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